

# One Hand and a Play is All a Good Man Wants in Life

## PA ROURKE SIGNS ANOTHER BATTERY

Franklin Johnson Is a Pitcher from Cardinals and Nieman Semi-Pro Catcher.

## JOE BELL REGISTERS A KICK

Pa Rourke stepped out into the world Saturday and annexed a battery for his squad of noble Rourkevins. The battery may or may not play with the team this year, but he can tell. However, Pa is highly hopeful, especially of the latter.

Franklin Johnson, no relation to the well known old jumper, is the pitcher and he hails from the St. Louis Cardinals. Pa says the dope on Johnson couldn't be beat. Here it is: The surprise is the same carried by Walter and the rest of the squad, both at athletics and jumping. The first name is the same as the designating handle of that famous citizen of Trappe, Md., who just left Comic Mack holding the empty sack. To Pa that done flatters good and he wouldn't be a bit surprised that the new comer was as good a pitcher as Johnson and as good a hitter as Franklin.

Johnson is a right-handed youth, weighs about 175 pounds and is five feet eleven in the air. Last season he worked for Jacksonville, Fla. He lives at Cambridge, Ill.

**Catcher Named Nieman.**  
The catcher is a youth named Nieman. Nieman hails from Avoca or Atlantic, Ia. The residence is somewhat of an enigma, but Boss Rourke says it matters not. Nieman caught Ben Sanderson several times last year and Pep stands sponsor for the lad's ability.

The young men who are destined to pasture out at Rourke park next season seem to be very willing to accept their destiny this year for some reason. There is only one kick. According to the well known rules and regulations of the Players' Fraternity, all members of the said fraternity agree to pay their own railroad fare, coming and going, before and after the playing season. In past years, the athlete was wont to romp to Florida or Cuba or Alaska and gently ask the manager to advance transportation for self and wife. As usual Rourke received several requests this year, but he merely called their attention to the Players' Fraternity agreement and announced they would either pay their own fare or stay where they were. Result: A few growls, but Rourke was firm and friend wife will not accompany so many of them to training camp this year.

## Styles Signs Contract.

Red Styles attached his script to a contract last week and promised to be a real good boy this year. He said he would be one of the winning pitchers in the Western this season. Red is newly married, thus the sudden ambition.

Pa has fifteen or sixteen chaps signed and the remainder are expected to come in this week or next. Joe Bell is the only athlete to manifest signs of holding out. Bell has a few grievances against the team and he doesn't have to play ball unless he wants to. He says he can sell insurance to the Seminole Indians down in Gainesville, Fla., where he lives, and is therefore independent. Rourke informed him if he didn't need to earn his livelihood playing ball he had better quit and give some chap who does a chance.

## Athletes Practice for Indoor Events at Y. M. C. A. Meet

Amateur roller skaters of Omaha will have an opportunity to exhibit their skill at the fourth annual indoor athletic meet to be held at the Auditorium March 13. The Young Men's Christian association officials have decided to program this novelty race although full details have not been prepared yet.

Employees of the new Pontenelle hotel have already entered two teams in the two-mile team race, and plans are on foot to enter a relay team. The men entered are among the newcomers to Omaha who are employed at the new hotel, but they are said to enjoy considerable standing in the east.

Omahaans who have entered the big carnival are hard at practice. The Omaha high school track team, of which about twenty members will probably enter the event, is working out daily and the "Y" athletes work regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights. Outsiders are permitted the use of the "Y" gym to train for the event and many are taking advantage of the offer. The athletes of the Amateur Athletic association are also training diligently.

## Les Davies Goes to Lincoln Club Today

Leslie Davies, for the last three years club maker of the Happy Hollow club, goes to Lincoln today to take up his new duties as professional at the Lincoln Country Club Monday. Davies, during his three years in Omaha, became very popular among the golfing fraternity and his departure from the Happy Hollow club is regretted.

Davies learned his profession under J. H. Taylor, the famous professional at Mid-Surrey, England. Davies came from Richmond-Surrey himself. Leslie is the second club maker who has earned positions as professional after a term of years under Charles Johnson. John Canavan, now a Sioux City pro, is the other Happy Hollow graduate.

## Townends to Play Wesleyan Saturday

The crack Townsend team of Omaha will play its third big game of the season with an out-of-town team Saturday when the Nebraska Wesleyan squad will come here to play at the Young Men's Christian association. Wesleyan and the Townsends have both lost but one game this year and are equally determined their record shall further be spotlessly clean, as a hard fought contest is assured.

The Townsends have only been beaten by the Illinois Athletic club team, which about the best basketball quintet in the land, while Wesleyan has lost only to Nebraska university. Both teams have victories over the Company C team of Fort Dodge.

The game will be the last big game of the season.

## GOES TO LINCOLN COUNTRY CLUB MONDAY.



LESLIE DAVIES.

## TENNIS CRACKS TO OMAHA

Twelve Stars from East on Way to Coast May Stop Off in This City.

## NATIONAL CHAMP AMONG THEM

That Omaha will see twelve of the finest and fastest tennis cracks in the United States is information learned last week. Just exactly one dozen players from New York, Philadelphia and Boston, men who have stood around the top of the record book list, are going to the coast in July and the present plans provide that St. Louis, Omaha and a few other points will be stop-over places en route so that this part of the country may see how eastern cracks work.

Robert D. Wrenn, president of the Lawn Tennis association, and Richard Stevens, the treasurer, have decided that a trip to the exposition will be about the best use that \$20,000 fund in the association's treasury can be put to. Thus the trip is being laid out. Eight special turf courts have been installed at the exposition for these players as they are unaccustomed to the asphalt courts used on the coast. The primary idea is to educate the west to eastern tennis. For years the leading players of the country have been men from the eastern coast or the western coast. The turf game is played in the east and in the west it is on cement and asphalt. Men from the middle west have always been but ordinary players compared to the eastern and western cracks and the tennis association has decided it would be adding stimulus to the interest in the sport if the eastern men would play a few contests through the middle west on their way to the exposition. The matches would probably be played at the Field club here.

Those who will make the trip are: R. N. Williams, national champion; T. R. Pell, Gustave Touchard, indoor champion; Irving Wright, W. M. Washburn, George M. Church, Karl H. Behr, Wylie C. Grant, Dear Mathey, Nathaniel W. Niles, Alfred Dabney and Edward Whitney.

## McMillen to Enter Big Cross-Country Flight for \$25,000

Ralph McMillen, Omaha aviator, who supplied the aeroplane flights at the speedway last fall, will pilot Glen Curtiss' big 250 horse-power machine in the cross-country, ocean-to-ocean flight for the \$25,000 prize donated in connection with the exposition at San Francisco.

McMillen has just returned from Hammondport, N. Y., where the big bird has just been built and tried out for Curtiss.

It is one of the biggest heavier than air machines ever built, according to McMillen. It will carry five passengers and the gas tank will hold enough fuel to permit flying for ten or twelve hours at a stretch. It was specially constructed for the flight from New York to San Francisco and McMillen considers it an honor that Curtiss should ask him to pilot his latest pet.

McMillen is now trying to make arrangements to have the biplane shipped to Omaha, so that he can make further tests out here. If Curtiss will permit it to be sent here, McMillen will make preliminary long distance flights from Omaha to Chicago and Denver and other points.

McMillen believes he will win the \$25,000 prize offered for the event as the new machine is a wonder. Omaha will be one of the stopping points on the route from New York to San Francisco, so many of the birdmen of the country will sail over the city in their quest for the big prize.

## ANOTHER UNION PACIFIC LEAGUE ENTERS FIELD

A new bowling league, consisting of employees in the office of the auditor of freight accounts at the Union Pacific, has entered the field and rolls every Tuesday evening at the Metropolitan alley. Officers of the new league are: E. Whalen, president; T. Boyle, secretary; and T. Nelson, treasurer.

## RESTA WINS GRAND PRIX 400-MILE RUN

He Averages Fifty-Seven and One-Half Miles an Hour, with Time of 7:07:57.

## WILCOX SECOND, HUGHES THIRD

Driver and Car. Time.  
D. Resta (Peugeot).....7:07:57  
Howard Wilcox (Stutz).....7:14:36  
Hughes (Ford).....7:21:46  
Young's One.....7:21:46

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—D. Resta won the 400-mile Grand Prix automobile race today by three laps. Time, 7:07:57. Resta's average for the race was 57 1/2 miles an hour.

Howard Wilcox finished second. Time, 7:14:36.  
Hughes finished third. Time, 7:21:46.

**Distance of Race.**  
The distance of the race was officially announced as 400.256 miles, requiring 104 laps to complete it.

Besides the Grand Prix cup, cash prizes amounting to \$7,500 were the rewards for the successful contestants.  
At 10:25 the starting signal was given by Starter Fred Wagner and Cooper, No. 8; Ruckstell, No. 6; Newhouse, No. 15, shot out on the course. Fifteen seconds later Taylor, No. 29; Briggs, No. 14, and thirty seconds later, Parsons, No. 21, Nikrent, No. 16, got off. The balance went in flights of three cars every fifteen seconds.

At the end of the tenth lap Resta, No. 9, led, Time: 23:44. Ruckstell, No. 6, was second, nine seconds behind. Following were Alley, No. 2; Hughes, No. 28; DePalma, No. 22; Rickenbacker, No. 17. Resta's average was sixty-eight miles an hour.

Karl Cooper was forced out of the race on the second lap by a broken connecting rod.

The cars, which had been maintaining an average of sixty-five miles an hour, slowed down perceptibly. Resta, No. 9, was still leading.

## Resta Still Leads.

The average speed at the end of the thirtieth lap had dropped to fifty-eight miles an hour and Resta had regained the lead. Hughes, driving No. 28, was in second place, and Alley third.

Barney Oldfield went out of the race on the thirty-second lap, because of motor trouble. Caleb Bragg and J. B. Marquis were officially declared withdrawn about the same time. Lou Gandy, who had gone into his pit some time previously, seemed unlikely to re-enter the race. Twenty-five drivers remained.

On the fortieth lap Hughes, No. 28, was in the lead, a full minute ahead of Resta. Wilcox, No. 26, was third. Two laps later Hughes was stopped for two minutes and lost the lead.

At the fiftieth lap Resta was leading Hughes by a fractional part of a second. Alley was third, Wilcox, No. 26, fourth; Ruckstell, No. 6, fifth. The time for the fifty laps was 32:24.

## Jumps Into Second.

William Carlson, driving No. 32, jumped into second place at the sixtieth lap. Resta was in the lead. Hughes dropped back to third. A light rain was falling.

Ralph DePalma stopped in front of the grandstand at 3:30 o'clock and announced that he had quit the race. "Nothing is wrong with my car," he said, "but the condition of the track is such that a racer is foolish to continue."

Resta at the seventieth lap led Hughes by three minutes. Wilcox, No. 26, had worked into third place, five minutes behind Hughes. Resta was fifth.

Resta at the eightieth lap was six and one-half minutes ahead of Wilcox. Hughes had dropped back to third place. Anderson was fourth, fourteen minutes behind Hughes, and Diebrow, No. 12, was fifth.

The five leading cars at the ninetieth lap were in the same relative position as at the eightieth, except that Hughes had displaced Wilcox in second place. A few laps later Hughes ran out of gasoline and was considerably delayed.

## List of Starters.

Number and Car. Driver.  
1—Maxwell.....Barney Oldfield  
2—Duesenberg.....Captain Kennedy  
3—Thaia.....Jack Gable  
4—Mercer.....Eddie Fuller  
5—Stutz.....Gil Anderson  
6—Ruckstell.....G. E. Ruckstell  
7—Edwards Special.....Lou Gandy  
8—Peugeot.....D. Resta  
9—Mercedes.....Louis Sikorent  
10—Edwards Special.....Captain Kennedy  
11—Simplex.....Louis Disbrow  
12—California.....Caleb Bragg  
13—Bellevue.....C. R. Newhouse  
14—King.....Arthur H. Klein  
15—Maxwell.....Ed Rickenbacker  
16—Chevrolet.....Edward O'Donnell  
17—Duesenberg.....R. C. Durant  
18—Chevrolet.....R. C. Durant  
19—Mercedes.....Ralph DePalma  
20—Parsons Special.....James Parsons  
21—Stutz.....Howard Wilcox  
22—Bugatti.....J. B. Marquis  
23—Young's One.....Hughes Hughes  
24—Alco.....W. E. Taylor  
25—Case.....Harry Campbell  
26—Overland.....Thomas McKelvey  
27—Maxwell.....William Carlson  
28—Gordon's Special.....Huntley Gordon

## Forfeit Money of State Loop Clubs Must Be in Monday

Monday is the crucial day in the Nebraska State league, for on that day must each team have \$500 posted with President Miles as a guarantee of good faith. While President Miles declares he has received no official communications that any clubs contemplate forfeiture of their franchises, the State league executive has heard the chatter about the circuit's long distance flights from Omaha to Chicago and Denver and other points.

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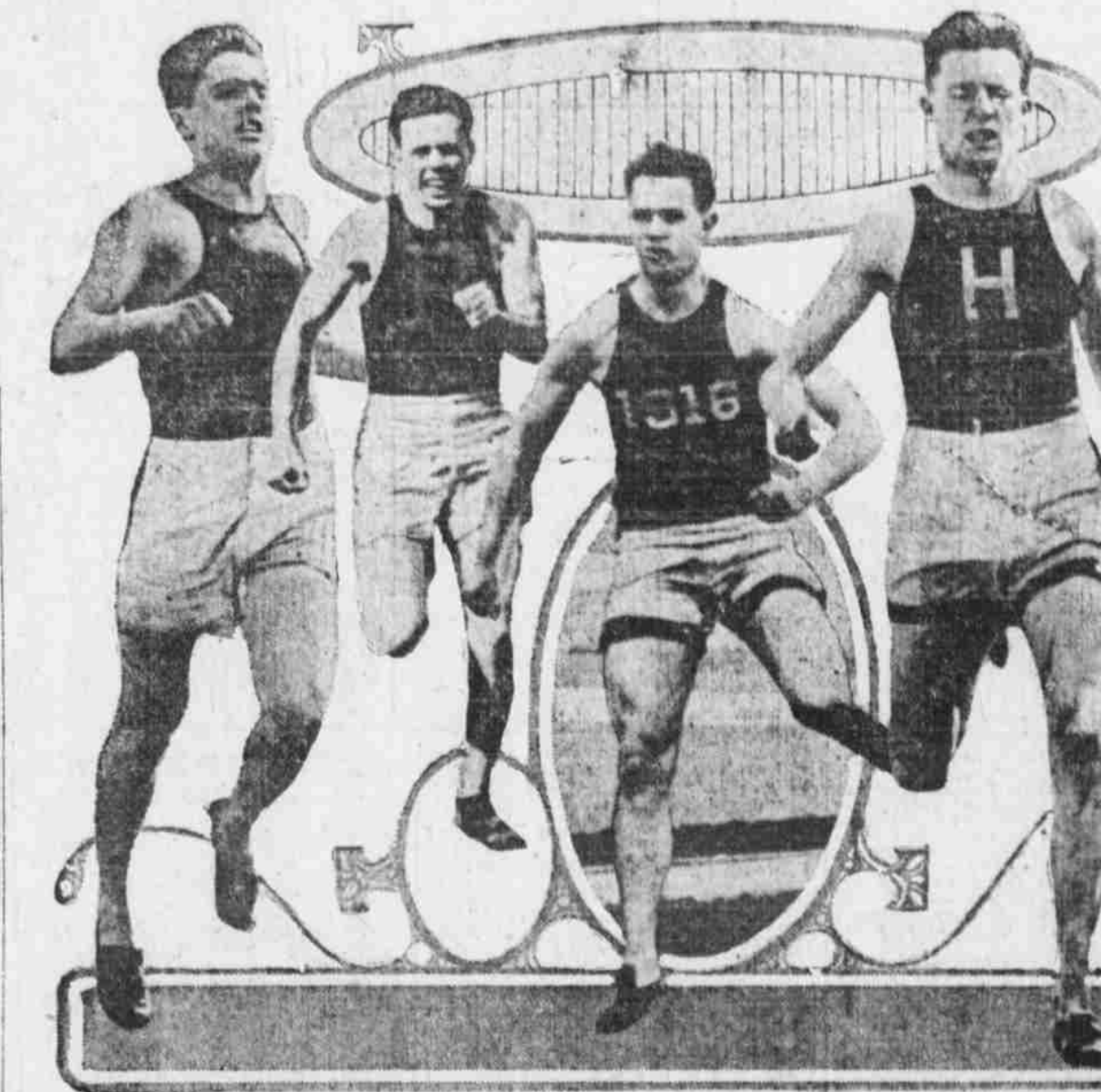
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# SPORTS SECTION of THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 28, 1915.

## Interest Turns to Track Athletics as Spring Approaches



Although frost is not out of the ground yet, followers of track and field athletics already are beginning to figure on the probable strength of the various leading varsity teams in the spring meets. Coaches in the various colleges and universities already have issued the call for candidates for the track teams and indoor training is well under way everywhere. All of the "big" colleges suffered more or less from the graduation of athletes last June, only eight of last season's winners being left in the ranks to compete again this year. Of these four are at Cornell, two at Pennsylvania and one each at Harvard and Dartmouth.

J. E. Peterson, who won the 100-yard dash for the University of Pennsylvania in 1913, will be graduated this year, but he will be seen in competition this spring. In the 100-yard dash, Tod Meredith, of course, will be Penn's standby. He was last year's winner in 48 1/2 seconds, and holds the world record for 800 metres and 880 yards. He is intercollegiate quarter mile champion. Meredith has found it

impossible to run in both the quarter and the half on the same day, so he doubtless will concentrate his energies on the shorter race. Cooper of Harvard is believed to stand a good show in the 800-yard run on this account. He finished fourth in this event last year, just behind Meredith. Yale plus has hopes in the high hurdle race at 120 yards over three-foot six-inch barriers on Willets.

Donald Lippincott of Pennsylvania is, of course, the best of the sprinters, but it is not known whether he has recovered fully from his breakdown last spring.

## START WORK ON CLUB HOUSE

Erection of \$3,000 Building at the Omaha Gun Club Will Be Started Monday.

## BIG HOUSE WARMING IN APRIL

Work on the construction of the club house at the Omaha Gun club will be started Monday, and by April 15 the \$3,000 building will be completed. The lower floor of the building will be of logs, with the upper story frame. Two verandas, one on the first and one on the second floor, will swing along the front of the house, facing the traps. The building will be 16x32.

A house warming will be held as soon as the building is completed. On that day Omaha and Columbus will hold the third intercity shoot. Columbus has won one shoot and the other was a tie. In addition, all of the shooters in the state will be invited to come in and shoot. Suitable prizes will be offered to serve as an attraction.

Women shooters will also take an active part in the house warming. The Omaha Gun club expects to have its squad of women shooters organized by that time, and some of the women shooters from out in the state will be invited in to add to the festival of the occasion.

The Omaha Gun club announced it will hold its Fred Gilbert shoot on Sunday, March 14. Some 300 clubs in the United States will compete in this nation-wide event, but the Omaha club is determined to land up near the top when the final scores come in.

## Ducks Fly Gaily and the Huntsman Grieves Greatly

Reports from out in the state are to the effect that it has been years since the spring flight of ducks and geese has been so heavy as now. It is asserted that along the Platte and Loup rivers and tributary streams there are immense flocks of the birds and that they are unusually tame, apparently seeming to know that they are protected by the government game laws that prohibit spring shooting.

It is said that in remote localities, far removed from points visited by game wardens there is some shooting, but that it is nothing to what it was a few years ago.

Word comes down the river that at Clark and Havana, two shooting points that were great favorites in past years, ducks are flying in great numbers and that there are a good many geese.

## Kalamazoo Quits

Players of the defunct Kalamazoo club of the Southern Michigan league are being disposed of to other clubs in the league, the club taking them agreeing to pay back salaries due the athletes. Battle Creek announces that it has taken on three former Kalamazoo men in Fulton, Currie and Fay, and believes it has secured the cream of the lot.

## Omaha Canoe Club Formed to Join in National Events

George Aulabaugh, ardent canoeist of Omaha, is now organizing a canoe club to be called the Carter Lake Canoe club and to be a part of the Carter Lake club. This club will affiliate with the American Canoe association and men representing the Omaha club will enter in singles and doubles in the national championship event to be held this summer on the St. Lawrence river.

An elimination meet will be held here this spring to determine the Omaha representatives. It is expected that Aulabaugh and R. B. Macdonald, both of whom have had years of experience in plotting canoes, will be the selections.

Glenn Wharton, chairman of the canoeing committee at the Carter Lake club, is assisting Mr. Aulabaugh in organizing the club and he promises to purchase two racing skulls so that meets may be held at Carter Lake between members of the club and with members of the Council Bluffs Rowing association.

## University of Omaha Proud of the Record

The University of Omaha terminated its inter-collegiate basketball schedule last week by the playing of Otnier on its home floor. The season was successful, only one defeat marring the record of the scarlet and black.

Though the inter-collegiate schedule is at an end, the Omaha team still possesses, as evidenced by an accumulation of pending with the Haskell Indians, who are planning to invade this part of Nebraska, providing they can book three contests. One of these has been taken by the University of Omaha. It is also likely that a third game will be played with Cotner university on a neutral ground, as each school has won a game.

The Creighton laws have asked for a game, but no date has been set aside for the contest.

## SAM CRAWFORD IN OMAHA BUT KEPT IT SECRET

Mr. Samuel Crawford, famous home-run slugger, former mate of Ty Cobb and possessor of several other distinctions, has played a mean joke on the fans of Omaha. Mr. Crawford with his wife and little daughter came to Omaha to visit and spend some time here. But he never murmured one single peep, and while socially inclined young ladies knew that Mr. Crawford was here, nobody found out that her illustrious husband was along until he left last week for Gulfport. Rumor has it that divers Federal league persons were on a hunt for Samuel, but that they were unsuccessful, for nobody knew where that wily person was until he had departed.

## NEW PRO AT COUNTRY CLUB

W. V. Hoare of Racine and Hot Springs Clubs to Take Place of George Simpson.

## WILL BRING OWN CLUB MAKER

W. V. Hoare, for the last four years professional at the Racine Country club in the summer and the Hot Springs Country club in the winter, has been appointed professional at the Omaha Country club to take the place of George Simpson, who goes to Oak Park.

Hoare is an Englishman and learned his profession in England. He has had many years of experience in this country and is said to be one of the best pros in the United States.

He was selected from a field of eighteen applicants, according to W. J. Foye, chairman of the golf committee. His references proved him to be a good player, an instructor of ability and possessing an acute knowledge of maintenance of putting greens.

Hoare played at the Omaha club some years ago, when McPherson was the professional. His visit was such that he is remembered by many of the veterans at the club and they all pronounce him a good fellow and a good golfer.

Hoare will come to Omaha from Hot Springs about April 15 and start to work planning for the 1915 season. He will bring his own club maker with him to take the place vacated by Tom Leuchers, who goes to Chicago with Simpson.

## Omaha Bowlers to Enter Ten Teams in State Tournament

The 1915 State Bowling tournament will be held at Lincoln in the third week of April, and Omaha will send at least ten of its crack five-men teams to compete in the event. The tournament will be the first to be held in Lincoln and will be the first state event in recent years.

According to advices from Lincoln, entries in the state where bowling alleys are located and the tourney promises to add considerable stimulus to the game in the state.

## LINCOLN WINS BASKET BALL GAME FROM BEATRICE

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special)—In a fast and closely contested game of basketball played before a large crowd at the high school gymnasium on Friday evening, the Lincoln five won from Beatrice, by the score of 27 to 18. Lineup:

## COMPLETE PLANS FOR STATE EVENT

Reed Assigns Teams for Opening Play in High School Basketball Tournament.

## OMAHA TO COMBAT DODGE

BY JAMES E. LAWRENCE.

LINCOLN, Feb. 27.—(Special)—Results of drawing for the first round of elimination in the state high school basketball tournament, March 10, 11, 12 and 13, the assignment of teams in divisions and all of the remaining arrangements for the biggest event in high school athletic circles were completed by Manager Guy E. Reed today. In accordance with preliminary plans, Reed arranged for two divisions, with the teams of the larger town in one and those of the smaller in Class B.

Class A consists of twenty-five teams and the games start in the university armory at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The teams in this class have been picked on the basis of the season's records, the number of boys in the high school, the size of the city and the records made by them in past tournaments. The leaders of each match in the first round will go into Class C of the consolation tournament.

Class B consists of twenty-five teams and the games start in the university armory at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The teams in this class have been picked on the basis of the season's records, the number of boys in the high school, the size of the city and the records made by them in past tournaments. The leaders of each match in the first round will go into Class C of the consolation tournament.

The committee in charge of the general tournament includes Dick Rutherford, Harold Corey and Hal Charlesworth. Bud Kearns will have charge of the Class C games or consolation tournament. The prizes for Class A and Class B will be exactly the same except for engraving. Large silver cups will go to the champions of each division, with a pennant for the runners-up and bronze medals for the members of the championship five. The awards in the consolation tournament will be the same as last season.

Following is the schedule for the first round of elimination as arranged by the committee and announced by Manager Reed:

**CLASS A.**  
Division 1—Lincoln vs. Wilber; 2, Oskaloa (Bye); 3, (Bye); 4, Geneva vs. Broken Bow; 5, (Bye); 6, Geneva vs. Broken Bow; 7, Plattsmouth vs. Plattsmouth; 8, Columbia vs. (Bye); 9, Nebraska City vs. Hastings; 10, (Bye); 11, Hastings vs. Plattsmouth; 12, (Bye); 13, South Omaha vs. Auburn; 14, (Bye); 15, Plainview vs. Kearney; 16, Omaha vs. Dodge; 17, University Place vs. Chadron; 18, Central City (Bye); 19, Scott's Bluff vs. York.

**CLASS B.**  
Division 1—Lincoln vs. Alameda; 2, Seward vs. Wymore; 3, Shelton vs. Kimball; 4, (Bye); 5, Friend vs. Wahoo; 6, (Bye); 7, Hamilton vs. Geneva; 8, (Bye); 9, (Bye); 10, Hebron vs. Madison; 11, (Bye); 12, Creston vs. Alameda; 13, Andria vs. Hartington; 14, Falls City vs. West Point; 15, (Bye); 16, Osceola vs. Pawnee City; 17, Harvard vs. Lexington; 18, (Bye); 19, Cozad vs. Minden; 20, Fullerton vs. Havelock; 21, (Bye); 22, Arnold vs. Kearney; 23, (Bye); 24, Newman Grove vs. Padonville; 25, (Bye); 26, Fairmont vs. Lexington; 27, (Bye); 28, (Bye); 29, Chadron vs. Oshawa; 30, (Bye); 31, DeWitt vs. Ord; 32, (Bye); 33, Humboldt vs. Stromsburg; 34, Kearney vs. Ravenna; 35, Ewing vs. Baxter.

## To Play Base Ball at the Omaha Uni

With the basketball season nearly at an end, students of the University of Omaha are turning their attention to the forming of a baseball team. There is material on hand for a strong nine and the prospects for putting out a good team are favorable.

Ernest Adams, who played with the Townsends last season, is attending school and expects to try out for a position on the pitching staff. Selby expects to take a try at pitching. Practically all last year's men are attending school so that there will be no lack of good material.

Letters were received from Morning-side college and Cotner, asking for games here, but no action has been taken. A manager and captain will be elected at the next meeting of the Gateway club so that actual work on a schedule may be undertaken at once.

## HANS WAGNER, VETERAN, BUT THE ROOKIE'S FRIEND

This story, told on Joe Kelley, ex-Western league and last year a member of the Pittsburgh club, shows how much Hans Wagner tries to help the young ball players make good. Hans habitually rooms, when on the road, with a younger player, never choosing one of the veterans of the club. Perhaps this is because Wagner is prone to arise at 4 a. m. some morning, and no fighting, and feels that he would have less trouble with a rookie than with a veteran, on the peculiarities of his habits. Mainly, however, it is his generous disposition to try to teach a youngster how to make good. On one occasion Kelley, who had been hitting in poor form, went to the bat with the bases full, and after much mental stress and physical exertion struck out. As he heard the bench muttering moodily to himself, Wagner went up to him, in his rough, sympathetic way and said: "Do you know, I went up to the plate with the bases full, too, and it was in the world's series, too. A little bit of mine would have scored the winning run, and do you know, I struck out." The first part of Wagner's statement was true. He did, as the records say, go to the bat with the bases full, but instead of striking out, he hit a ringing double and scored.